

UTILITY BOARD/COMMON COUNCIL
Thursday, December 11, 2014
7:00 P.M.

The Common Council and Utility Board of the City of Huntingburg met in joint session at its regularly scheduled meeting time on Thursday, December 11, 2014 at the hour of 7:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers of the Huntingburg City Hall at 508 E. Fourth Street, Huntingburg, Indiana. Members Blackgrove, Kissling, McPherron, Lehr and Summers were present. Also present were Mayor Spinner and City Attorney Schneider.

Mayor Spinner called the meeting to order.

A motion was made by Kissling, seconded by McPherron and carried to approve the minutes of the November 25, 2014 meeting as presented.

A motion was made by Lehr, seconded by Summers and carried to approve the claims as presented.

O.W. Krohn of O.W. Krohn & Associates, LLP was present to answer questions related to the proposed water bond refunding issue. The bond issue would save the water utility approximately \$102,000.00 of interest over the remaining bond term and would free up approximately \$360,000.00 of debt reserve funds that could be used for capital projects. He noted that by issuing the bonds in 2014 rather than 2015, when other bonds are planned to be issued for other projects, it helps protect both issues' bank qualification status. The target is to issue \$3,600,000.00 of bonds at a rate of 1.9%. He noted the bond coverage ratio is greater than 200%.

Tom Krodel and Tim Robinette representing Old National Bank, who will purchase the water bonds, were present. Krodel addressed the Council indicating they are ready, willing and able to assist the City of Huntingburg in the Stellar program and thanked them for this opportunity.

Attorney Schneider summarized the proposed bond ordinance.

A motion was made by Blackgrove, seconded by Kissling and carried to introduce Ordinance No. 2014-32 entitled:

**AN ORDINANCE CONCERNING THE REFUNDING BY THE CITY OF
HUNTINGBURG OF ITS WATERWORKS REVENUE BONDS OF 2000;
AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF WATERWORKS REFUNDING REVENUE
BONDS FOR SUCH PURPOSE; PROVIDING FOR THE COLLECTION,
SEGREGATION AND DISTRIBUTION OF THE REVENUES OF THE
WATERWORKS AND THE SAFEGUARDING OF THE INTERESTS OF THE
OWNERS OF THE WATERWORKS REFUNDING REVENUE BONDS
AUTHORIZED HEREIN; OTHER MATTERS CONNECTED THEREWITH;
AND REPEALING ORDINANCES INCONSISTENT HERewith**

A motion was made by Kissling, seconded by McPherron and carried with unanimous consent to consider the adoption of Ordinance No. 2014-32 on the same meeting it was introduced.

A motion was made by Blackgrove, seconded by Lehr and carried to adopt Ordinance No. 2014-32.

Upon call of roll for the adoption or rejection of Ordinance No. 2014-32 the vote being 5 ayes, 0 nays, in favor of adoption, Ordinance No. 2014-32 was duly passed and adopted this date at the hour of 7:25 P.M.

The Mayor presented the 2015 City Calendar containing meeting times and dates for the Council's approval.

A motion was made by Kissling, seconded by Blackgrove and carried to approve the City Calendar as presented.

Salaries of elected officers of the City were discussed. There was discussion about the Council compensation remaining the same as 2014. There was concern that the Mayor's and Clerk-Treasurer's salaries could be less than salaries of superintendents. The Council decided to keep the Council members wages at their current levels and make an adjustment to the Mayor's and Clerk-Treasurer's salaries; increasing them by 5%. The Mayor's and Clerk-Treasurer's salaries will increase to \$1,203.25 per week.

A motion was made by Blackgrove, seconded by Lehr and carried to introduce Ordinance No. 2014-33 entitled:

AN ORDINANCE FIXING SALARIES FOR ELECTED OFFICERS OF THE CITY OF HUNTINGBURG, INDIANA FOR THE YEAR 2015

A motion was made by Kissling, seconded by Blackgrove and carried with unanimous consent to consider the adoption of Ordinance No. 2014-33 on the same meeting it was introduced.

A motion was made by Lehr, seconded by McPherron and carried to adopt Ordinance No. 2014-33.

Upon call of roll for the adoption or rejection of Ordinance No. 2014-33 the vote being 5 ayes, 0 nays, in favor of adoption, Ordinance No. 2014-33 was duly passed and adopted this date at the hour of 7:40 P.M.

Planning Director Lake presented a proposed ordinance that would amend the zoning map to change property owned by Masterbrand Cabinet Company to allow them to give a street address of 12th Street to make traffic flow in the area much easier. The property being changed is at 212 East 11th Street, Huntingburg, Indiana. The zoning district of the property will change from R-1 to I-1.

A motion was made by Summers, seconded by Blackgrove and carried to adopt Ordinance No. 2014-34.

AN ORDINANCE CHANGING A ZONING DISTRICT AND AMENDING THE ZONING MAP UNDER TITLE 154 OF THE HUNTINGBURG MUNICIPAL CODE

Upon call of roll for the adoption or rejection of Ordinance No. 2014-34 the vote being 5 ayes, 0 nays, in favor of adoption, Ordinance No. 2014-34 was duly passed and adopted this date at the hour of 7:45 P.M.

Lake updated the Council on the progress being made with the senior housing development in the old St. Joseph's Hospital property by Miller-Valentine. He indicated plans have been developed and are being reviewed. He summarized the project noting a \$6,000,000 investment by Miller-Valentine for 45 units of senior housing at the old St. Joseph's Hospital site.

Clerk-Treasurer Dippel presented a proposed ordinance that would amend the current ordinance regarding equipment rental and labor reimbursement rates. He noted the required use of current "Blue Book" rates was determined to be too expensive and cumbersome. He noted the proposed ordinance would use the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) rates as the primary equipment reimbursement rates.

A motion was made by Lehr, seconded by McPherron and carried to introduce Ordinance No. 2014-35 entitled:

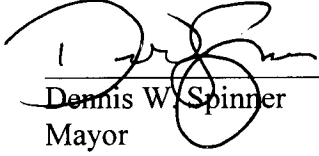
ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2012-37 REGARDING EQUIPMENT RENTAL AND LABOR REIMBURSEMENT RATES

A motion was made by Kissling, seconded by Summers and carried with unanimous consent to consider the adoption of Ordinance No. 2014-35 on the same meeting it was introduced.

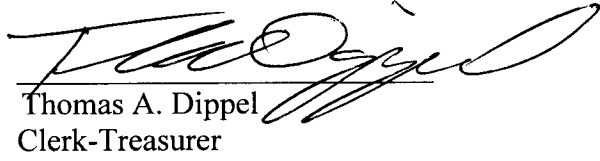
A motion was made by Blackgrove, seconded by Summers and carried to adopt Ordinance No. 2014-35.

Upon call of roll for the adoption or rejection of Ordinance No. 2014-35 the vote being 5 ayes, 0 nays, in favor of adoption, Ordinance No. 2014-35 was duly passed and adopted this date at the hour of 7:55 P.M.

There being no further business before the Council, a motion was made by Kissling, seconded by Summers and carried to adjourn the meeting at 7:56 o'clock P.M.



Dennis W. Spinner
Mayor



Thomas A. Dippel
Clerk-Treasurer